The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905, in Chicago is now an organization of over 1.2 million business and professional persons in over 33,000 clubs in more the 200 countries and geographical areas worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires Rotarians to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and promote goodwill and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, The Sunrise Rotary Club of State College, chartered in June, 2006; The State College Downtown Rotary Club, chartered in November, 1986; The State College Evening Rotary Club, chartered in 1924; the Bellefonte Rotary Club, chartered in 2008; and the Pleasant Gap Rotary Club, chartered in 1949; sponsor and participate in numerous international projects, including the Rotary world-wide polio eradication project, the Rotary Youth Exchange Program, funding a hearing aid project in Belize, providing books to children in the Philippines, and helping to fund an international water project; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary Clubs of Centre County have been involved in several local projects including Discovery Space, the Park Forest Day School, Christmas Carol, Girls on the Run, First Night, the Festival of Trees, the Fuel Bank, the Food Bank, Special Olympics, the Veteran's Assistance Fund, the Rotary Four-Way Speech Test, Little League Baseball, the Crop Walk, and support many other local agencies/programs; and

WHEREAS, the leadership, commitment, hard work, and "Service Above Self" provided by the members of the Rotary Clubs of Centre County improves the quality of life and makes a difference in the lives of area citizens and organizations in State College, Bellefonte, Pleasant Gap and the surrounding communities of Centre County;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate the Rotary Clubs of Centre County and proclaim the month of January 2012 as "Rotary Awareness Month" in Centre County.

ADOPTED this 24th day of January, 2012.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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